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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS. SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me irected from the clerk of the Superior Court of farion county, Indiana, in cause No. 53268, wherein Eliza Thaw Edwards is plaintiff and William T. Edwards et al. are defendants, requiring me to make the sum of twenty-nine thousand dollars (\$29,000), as provided for in said de-cree, with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on SATURDAY, THE 2D DAY OF JANUARY, 1897, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the door of the courthouse of Marion county, Indiana, the rents and profits for a term not exceeding seven years, the following real estate in Marion county, In-

All that part of the east half of the northwest quarter of section twenty-six (26), township sixteen (16) north, range three (2) east, lying east of the Michigan road, and north of the county road, running northeastwardly through said half section, containing thirty-eight (38) acres, more or less, except the real estate described as lots 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, block six (6), of George B. Edwards's redivision of Josselyn's subdivision, as shown by plat book seven (7), pages 175, in the recovery office of Marian page 175, in the recorder's office of Marion If such rents and profits will not sell for a sufficient sum to satisfy said decree, with interest and costs, I will, at the same time and place, expose to public sale the fee simple of said real

estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to discharge said decree. Said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisement laws.

THOMAS P. SHUFELTON,
Sheriff of Marion County.

A. V. Brown, Attorney for Plaintiff,

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Marion county, Indiana, in cause No. 53540, wherein the Blake-street Saving and Loan Association, No. 4, of Indianapolis, Indiana, is plaintiff and Rachel C. McClure et al. are dedants, requiring me to make the sum of nine added and thirty-nine dollars and seventy cents (\$939.70), as provided for in said decree, with interest and costs. I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on SATURDAY, THE 2D DAY OF JANUARY, 1897,

between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the door of the courthouse of Marion county, Indiana, the rents and profits for a term not exceeding seven years, of the following real estate in Marion county, In-Lot numbered one hundred and twenty-two (122), in William Y. Wiley's subdivision of outlots one hundred and sixty-two (162), one hundred and sixty-three (163) and one hundred and sixty-

five (165), in the city of Indianapo estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to discharge said decree. Said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisement THOMAS P. SHUFELTON. Sheriff of Marion County. Dec. 12, 1896. Kealing & Hugg, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a certified copy of a decee to me rected from the clerk of the Superior Court of Marion county, Indiana, in cause No. 53424, wherein the Hartford Savings and Investment Company is plaintiff and Lena Many et al. are defendants, requiring me to make the sum of fifty-six hundred and six dollars and seventy-nine cents (\$5,606.79), as provided for in said decree, with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on SATURDAY, THE 2D DAY OF JANUARY, 1897, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the door of the courthouse of Marion county, Indiana, the rents and profits for a term not exceeding seven years, of the following real estate in Marion county, Ju-

Commencing on the north line of Washington street at a point twenty-five (25) feet east of the southwest corner of outlot number sixty-five (65), in the city of Indianapolis, running thence east along Washington street forty-six and ninety-five redths (46.95) feet to a point, thence north one hundred and twenty-five (125) feet to an alley, thence west along said alley forty-six and ninety-five one-hundredths (46.95 feet, thence such rents and profits will not sell for a cient sum to satisfy said decree, with interest and costs, I will, at the same time and place, expose to public sale the fee simple of said real ite, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to discharge said decree. Said sale will be made out relief from valuation or appraisement THOMAS P. SHUFELTON.

Sheriff of Marion County. H. J. Milligan, Attorney for Plaintiff.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me irected from the clerk of the Superior Court of farion county, Indiana, in cause No. 53285, wherein Einora L. Griffith is plaintiff and Peter H. Noon et al. are defendants, requiring me to make the sums of money in said decree provided. and in manner and form as therein provided, with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on SATURDAY, THE 26TH DAY OF DECEMBER.

etween the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the door of the of Marion county, Indiana, the rents and profits for a term not exceeding seven years. of the following real estate in Marion county, In Lot number thirty-seven (37), in McKernan and Pierce's subdivision of part of outlot number one hundred and twenty-one (121), in the city of In-

If such rents and profits will not sell for a sufficient sum to satisfy said decree, with interest and costs, I will, at the same time and place, expose to public sale the fee simple of said real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to discharge said decree. Said sale will be made thout relief from valuation or appraisement ALBERT A. WOMACK, Sheriff of Marion County.

Barrett & Hubbard, Attorneys for

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me irected from the clerk of the Superior Court of farion county. Indiana, in cause No. 53040. wherein the Home Builders' Saving and Loan Association is plaintiff and John R. Barrick et al. are defendants, requiring me to make the sums pay in said decree provided and in manner and form as therein provided, with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest SATURDAY, THE 9TH DAY OF JANUARY, etween the hours of 18 o'clock a. m. and

o'clock p. m. of said day, at the door of the courthouse of Marion county. Indiana, the rents

and profits for a term not exceeding seven years,

of the following real estate in Marion county, In-

block number three (3), in the North Park addi-tion to the city of Indianapolis, being fifty-three (53) feet four (4) inches frontage on Illinois street. nding back two hundred and ninety-eight feet, as per Plat Book three (3), page one indred and ninety-three (193). If such rents and profits will not sell for a sufent sum to satisfy said decree, with interest and costs, I will, at the same time and place, exose to public sale the fee simple of said real state, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to said decree. Said sale will be made vithout relief from valuation or appraisement THOMAS P. SHUFELTON, Sheriff of Marion County.

Griffith & Potts, Attorneys for Plaintiffs. SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me ted from the clerk of the Superior Court of county, Indiana, in cause No. 53295 wherein Alfred M. Ogle et al. are plaintiffs and Albert D. Cloud et al. are defendants, requiring me to make the sum of five hundred and six Hars and fifty cents (\$506.50), as provided for in said decree, with interest and costs. I will exose at public sale to the highest bidder, on SATURDAY, THE 9TH DAY OF JANUARY

the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and

o'clock p. m. of said day, at the door of the

e of Marion county, Indiana, the rents profits for a term not exceeding seven years, he following real estate in Marion county, Lot numbered two hundred and nine (209), in Alfred M. Ogie et al.'s East Park addition to the such rents and profits will not sell for a sufnt sum to satisfy said decree, with interest nd costs, I will, at the same time and place, exuse to public saje the fee simple of said real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to discharge said decree. Said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisement laws and subject to a mortgage held by the Mutual Home and Savings Association, THOMAS P. SHUFELTON, Sheriff of Marion County.

Groninger & Moore, Attorneys for Plaintiff. NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS-CEMENT.

STONE WORK, ETC.

of Regents of the Indiana State and Sallors' Monument, will, on the 5th. (fifth) day of January, 1897, at 11 (eleven) o'clock at the office of the board, Room No. 93, Capitol, Indianapolis, Indiana, receive called proposals for furnishing all labor and materials for the finishing of the place surrounding the monument in the city of Indianapolis. Indi-gas, in strict accordance with the drawings and necifications of Bruno Schmitz, architect of the nument. Said drawings and specifications are on file in the office of R. P. Daggett & Co., om No. 28, Marion Building, Indianapolis, In-A certified check, to the amount of \$1,000 (one

usand dollars), payable to the order of the ord of Regents, Indiana State Soldiers' and Sallors' Monument, is to accompany each bid as sugrantee that the successful bidder will enter FIRST SPIRITUALIST CHURCH-Corner Alaa contract for the completion of the work named in said bid. The successful bidder will be required to furan acceptable bond, for the faithful pernance of the contract, to the amount of 40 per The Board of Regents reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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FOR SALE-Fine stock of drugs located on the best corner in New Castle, Ind. Soda fountain, fixtures, all included, for \$4,500; \$1,500 cash, baltime to suit purchaser. Address INDI-ANAPOLIS DRUG COMPANY. REAL ESTATE-We offer an unprecedented bargain in North Meridian-street residence; 12 rooms; every modern convenience; one of the decorated on the street; price, \$14,000. Terms, like paying rent; as easy as you want.

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NOTICE. NOTICE-A meeting of the stockholders of the

buy, sell or exchange.

Star Saving and Loan Association will be held Dec. 22, at 7:30 p. m., at the office of the association, to consider the proposed harges in the H. M. HADLEY, President. H. H. FAY, Secretary.

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STORAGE-Indianapolis Warehouse Co., 265-273 S. Penn. st., Pennsylvania tracks. Phone 1343. CHURCH NOTICES.

Baptist. IRST BAPTIST CHURCH-Northeast corner New York and Pennsylvania streets. The Rev. D. J. Ellison, pastor. The pastor preaches at Subject, "Three Aspects of God's 7:20 p. m. subject, "A Priceless Baptisms. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; conference meeting Thursday evening. All cor-dially welcomed to all of our services.

Christian.

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH-Corner Delaware and Walnut streets. The pastor, Rev. John E. Pounds, will preach at 10:45 a. m. or "Lord Teach Us to Pray." At 7:45 p. m. Mrs. Candace Lhamon Smith, of Chicago, will speak on "Educational Work," an address in the sions. Seats free at all services.

Episcopal.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH-New York and Illinois streets. G. A. Carstensen, rector. Holy com-streets. G. A. Carstensen, rector. Holy com-share of profit basis, who pay their own a. m. Morning prayer and sermon, 10:45. Even-ing prayer and sermon, 7:45. The rector will Morning subject, "The Baptism of Evening subject, "Neglect of Salvation." esus."

Methodist.

CENTRAL-AVENUE METHODIST EPISCOPAL street. Sermons at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., by the pastor, Rev. C. C. Lasby, D. D. Class meeting, 9:30 a. m. Sunday school, 2:30 p. m. Junior League, 4 p. m. Epworth League service. 6:30 p. m. Strangers cordially welcomed. MERIDIAN-STREET M. E. CHURCH-Corner of Sims, D. D., at 10:45 a. m. At 7:30 p. m. Judge school and class meeting. 9:30 a. m. . Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting. Thursday evening, 7:30. All are cordially invited. ROBERTS PARK M. E. CHURCH-Corner Delaware and Vermont streets. Rev. T. I. Coultas, D. D., pastor. Class meetings at 9 a. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Morning theme, "Joy to the World, the Lord Has Come." Evening, "Prepare the Way." Epworth League at 5:30 p. m. Prayer leave Louisville about 5:20 p. m., connecting meeting, Thursday evening at 7:30. Strangers at Cincinnati with Pennsylvania train No. welcome to all these services.

New Church. NEW CHURCH CHAPEL (SWEDENBORGIAN) -333 North Alabama street. Rev. W. L. Gladish, minister. Sunday services, 16:45 a. m. Subject of sermon, "The Coming of the Lord to Man and to Men." Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Haughville meeting, Friday evening,

Presbyterian FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - Southwest corner Pennsylvania and New York streets. The pastor, Rev. M. L. Haines, D. D., will preach to-morrow at 10:45 a. m. At 7:30 p. m. a 'hristmas service' of song, with an address, Sunday school meets at 9:30 a. m. Society Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Midweek prayer and conference meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30

Petition from Western Roads. o'clock. All are cordially invited.

MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-Co. ner Eleventh and Ash streets. Rev. Frank O. Ballard, pastor. There will be special Christmas music both morning and evening. In the morning at 10:30 a children's chorus of thirty-five voices will assist the regular choir and will sing a processional and recessional. In the evening at 45 the new cantata of Dudley Buck, "The Coming of the King," given for the first time in this city, will be rendered by the Memorial Church choir, assisted by solo voices. William H. Donley, organist and musical director. The Sunday school will hold a Christmas festival on Christmas eve, Dec. 24, at 7:30. SEVENTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-Corner

of Cedar and Elm streets. R. V. Hunter. pas-Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "Sovereign Grace and Love." At 7:30 p. m. there will be a song service, in charge of Mr. Marshall, of Philadelphia. Sabbath school at 2:30 p. m. Junior C. E., 9:30 m. Senior C. E., 3:30 p. m. Prayer and social service on Thursday evening. The public is wel-

TABERNACLE CHURCH-Corner Meridian and Eleventh streets. Preaching at 19:45 a. m. by the Rev. Frank C. Colvin, of Auburn, Ind. Sun-day school, 9:30 a. m. Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m. Preaching by the Rev. W. B. Dunham in Mount Jackson Chapel at 10:30 a. m., and in West Wash-ington-street Chapel at 7:30 p. m.

bama and New York streets. Rev. F. A. Wiggin, speaker. Lecture at 10:30 a. m.; seance and short talk at 7:45 p. m. Duet in evening by Messis. Wilkinson and Ebert.

THE MIDNIGHT CRY."-Free lecture by an either the passenger or freight end of the evangelist in Crouch's Hail, corner Clifford and Brookside avenues, Sunday evening at 7:45. All Christian people cordially invited.

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DIED. BARNARD-Rachel, wife of Henry Barnard, died Friday, Dec. 18, at 5 a. m. Funeral Sunday at 3 p. m., from residence, 473 South Illinois street. seventy-one years and nine months. Funeral from family residence. No. 200 North Noble street, Saturday, Dec. 19, at 1 p. m. GILLETTE-Harriet, wife of the late Rev. S. T. Gillette, at Jacksonville, Ill. Funeral services

BUDDENBAUM-Mary Buddenbaum, widow of late Henry C. Buddenbaum. Funeral Sunday afternoon at 1:30 at No. 96 North Arsenal avenue. Funeral services at 2 p. m. at the German Lutheran Trinity Church, corner Ohio and East streets. Friends invited.

L. S. McDougal, 13 West North street, 2 p. m.

FUNERAL NOTICES. MILLER-The funeral of Perry Miller will take If such rents and profits will not sell for a C. E. COFFIN & CO., 90 East Market street. | MILLER—The funeral of Perry Miller will take the courts from refusing the courts from the Clover Leaf."

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War Between the Southern Lines-Earnings of Pennsylvania Lines Far Below Expectations.

The traveling salesmen having carried their point and secured a 5,000-mile interchangeable mileage book, are now taking steps to secure more favorable terms for carrying excess baggage. This they are doing through boards of trade. The New York Board of Trade and Transportation has taken the matter up for investigation. and if it is found that the complaints of the traveling salesmen are just, and that the excess baggage charges are too burdensome, application will be made to the Joint Traffic Association for relief. In order to get an idea of the extent of the burden the New York Board of Trade is sending out a circular to boards of trade of other cities and to leading merchants asking for information on the subject of the questions presented in the circular, which are as follows: "How many traveling salesmen to you employ? What is the average expense per day of each for railroad passenger fare while actually traveling? What is the average expense per day of each for charges on excess baggage while actually traveling? This information in a definite and re-Young People's meeting, 6:30 p. m. Prayer and liable shape, is absolutely essential to a proper presentation of the case to the transportation companies, as well as for a full appreciation of its importance in relation to your own business. Are the trunks carried by your traveling salesmen provided with special inside fittings? If so, what is the weight of such trunks before being packed interest of the Christian Women's Board of Mis- with samples? If not, what is the weight of such trunks before being packed with samples? What is the weight of the trunk and contents when packed with samples? If you employ salesmen on commission of

Fast Service in the South. A time war seems to have set in between the Southern lines running to New Orleans, in which the Illinois Central, the Louisville CHURCH-Corner Central avenue and Twelfth & Nashville and the Queen & Crescent are trying to excel. The Queen & Crescent led in the time war, the Illinois Central followed, and now it is announced that the Louisville & Nashville will put on a similar New York. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. C. N. fast train to run in connection with Train D. P. Baldwin, of Logansport, will deliver an | 21 from Chicago to Louisville over the Panaddress on "The Way Out of Poverty." Sunday handle and the Monon, and the Big Four will make the same connection at Louisville. It is possible that a fast train may be put on, leaving Cincinnati about 11 a. m, and reaching Louisville at 2:30 p. m. which would give Louisville a service of 2. reaching Pittsburg at 5:55 a. m., Philadelphia at 4:17 p. m. and New York at 6:30 This train would also make close connections with all night trains out of Cincir ati especially for Detroit, Cleveland, Toledo, Buffalo, and points on the lakes. This is not the end of the improvement in fast train service from Louisville. The Illinois Central has announced that it will further shorten its time from Louisville to the South, the line being newly laid with heavier rails and provided with powerful engines, which have demonstrated when the train was late that the twenty-four hour schedule from Louisville to New Orleans

Petition from Western Roads. The Interstate-commerce Commission gave hearing yesterday on an application of the Atchiscn, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway, the Santa Fe and other Western roads for suspension of the long-and-short haul clause of the interstate-commerce act. The contest involves freight rates from Colorado common points to California points. The roads petitioning for the relief are the Atchison, the Denver & Rio Grande, the Rio Grande Western, the Southern Pacific, the Colorado Midland and the Union Pacific. The commission gave notice of the hearing to interested parties throughout the teritory involved in the contest, but not more than one or two places were represented to oppose the granting of the petition. The counsel for the roads claimed that unprofitable rates have been forced on them through water competition. The roads claimed they should be authorized to make reasonable charges from Colorado common ponits to points east of California terminal points and between intermediate points without comparison with the charges contemporaneously in force from the Colorado common points to Pacific coast terminal

points on like traffic. May Mean a Rate War. A Detroit paper, in commenting on the appointment of C. Q. Davis as general agent of the Lima Northern at Detroit, says: Mr. Davis has not been identified with

railroad business, but has been more of a

Brice and his colleagues. His appointment strikes the railroad men in Detroit as peculiar, and convinces them that there is to ment of stocks, however. be some quiet work done in that city. Railroad men believe that there will be a slash in rates that will be something out of the ordinary, and one that will force the Michigan Central, Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton, and the Lake Shore-Big Four-Ohio Central combination to met the cut to hold the present business. The new line cannot get much out of it, as the Wabash, Big Four and Pennsylvania, over which the new line has its only entrance to Detroit and Cincinnati, will demand their proportionate share of the full rate.

Joint Traffic Board of Control. A meeting of the board of control, consisting of the presidents of the lines in the Joint Traffic Association, was held in New York yesterday. Nearly all the presidents of the interested lines, with the exception of President Roberts, of the Pennsylvania, who is ill, and President Ingalls, of the Big Four and Chesapeake & Ohio, Van Horne, of the Canadian Pacific, and Fowler, of the Ontario & Western, were on hand. Trunk Line Commissioner Goddard and Ashley Pond, general counsel of the Michigan Central, were also present. Mr. Depew, of the New York Central, occupied the chair. Commissioner Blanchard's report showed that during the year ending Dec. 31 the Board of Managers' Association disposed of nearly four thousand subjects that came before it. The question of the boycott directed against the Clover Leaf by the association, because of the latter's alleged disregard for tariff rates and the injunction obtained by that company restraining its joint traffic connections from enforcing the boycott, occupied the attention of the presidents. It was discussed from a legal standpoint by one of the counsel in the case. As there is prospect of a settlement of the controversy out of court, the action of the presidents on the question of pushing a legal fight is not expected to be final.

The Clover Leaf's Suit. Clerk Belford, of the United States Circuit Court at Cleveland, in speaking of the famous boycott suit of the Clover Leaf against the Joint Traffic Association, says: "I do not think anything more will be heard of the case. So long as the roads named in the temporary injunction-namewill be held at the residence of her niece, Mrs. ly, the Lake Shore, the Wabash and the Ann Arbor companies-continue to accept tion. Those roads have no reason to hurry matters. It is cream for them. They will have a monopoly of the Clover Leaf business and if the other roads raise a how! they can say they are unable to help themselves, as they are prevented by order of

May Meet the Soo's Commissions. When the lines of the Western Passenger Association applied to Chairman Caldwell for permission to meet the large commissions paid on excursion business by the Soo line, he gave them the right to pay the commissions on business originating in Minnesota and North Dakota, as it was understood that the Soo was paying the commissions only on the business coming from that quarter. It is now claimed by the Chicago-St. Paul lines that the commissions are paid on traffic coming from Canadian points and from Manitoba. On the showing made by the lines the chairman gave them permissione to meet the excessive commissions on any excursion ousiness that came to them, no matter from what quarter they might secure it.

Earnings Disappointing. The November earnings of the Panhandle lines were not up to expectations. The earnings of the Southwestern system, the Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis lines, were: November, 1896, gross earnings, \$1.047,434.27; decrease, \$389,815.91; operating expenses, \$789,115.17; decrease, \$171.889.87; net earnings, \$258,319.10; decrease, \$217.926.04; interest on bonds, rentals, etc., \$346,155.35; increase, \$58,539.84; loss, \$57,386.25; increase, \$306,465.88. Eleven months-Gross earnings. \$13,134,406.76: decrease, \$981,000.23; operating expenses. \$9,714,641.28; decrease, \$504,367.06; net earnings, \$3.419.765.48; decrease, \$476,-624.17; interest on bonds, rentals, etc., \$2,-994,379.05; increase, \$147.641.93; profit, \$425,-

386.43; decrease, \$624,269.10.

Theatrical Baggage. The chairman of the Western Passenger Association has handed down a ruling on the transportation of theatrical baggage. He holds that the provision in the association agreement that a party presenting twenty-five tickets purchased at the regular authorized party rate shall be allowed one baggage car free of charge, means that the car may be allowed as long as the charges are paid, no matter how many people may be in the party. He also holds that when it is not practicable to run a special baggage car the baggage may be transported in a regular car free of charge.

Ancillary Bill of Foreclosure. An ancillary bill of foreclosure against the Monon line was filed in the Federal Court at Chicago yesterday by the Central Trust Company of New York, on account of a mortgage of \$1,000,000 on the rolling stock. The original bill was filed in the Circuit Court of Indiana. Three months ago the road was placed in the hands of a receiver by the court at Indianapolis on a bill of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company to foreclose the general mortgage of

Personal, Local and General Notes. M. W. Mansfield, superitendent of the Indianapolis & Vincennes, is in Columbus. The Wabash Railroad hospital at Peru on Friday had fifteen inmates, six having

been received this week. It is stated that E. M. Irons on the first bama road. quarterly dividend of one-half of 1 per cent.

payable Feb. 1. W. A. Terry on Thursday assumed the duties of commercial agent of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton, with headquarters at Pittsburg.

On Jan. 1 the Wabash will place a representative at Seattle and make an attempt business for Eastern points. L. J. Buckley, late purchasing agent o the Baltimore & Ohio, has accepted a position to represent a prominent business

house of Pittsburg in New York city. W. C. Hobbs, agent of the Kanawha Dispatch at this point, is reported to be some better, but it will be some time before he will be able to assume official duties again. Toledo, O., has a large number of contracting agents making their headquarters at that point and they are considering the organizing of a contracting agents' asso-

Next week William Garstang, superintendent of motive power of the Big Four, will award the contracts for electric plants for the shops at Wabash, Bellefontaine and Glendale Leander E. Babb, who died at Chicago a few days ago, was the first chief train dis-

patcher of the Eric Railroad. He had not been in the railroad business, however, for Freight traffic with the Eric Railway is

increasing heavily, and at preesnt every locomotive it owns fit for service is in use and some of the train crews are making extra time. John F. Miller, general superintendent of Pennsylvania Southwestern system. who has been in Atlantic City for two or three weeks, is reported to have improved

much in health. Commissioner Donald, of the Central Passenger Committee, has notified the roads under his jurisdiction that he is ready to transmit supplies of blanks for clerical permits for 1897. The Chicago & Eastern Illinois is getting on the good side of the merchants of Terre Haute by running excursion trains to that

city, carrying people from the smaller towns to do their shopping. The only important improvement that the management of the Peorla & Eastern con templates making the coming year is the building of the new shops at Urbana and the filling of a number of trestles. A director of the Peoria & Eastern says should the Big Four people desire to drop the road, they could do so only by adopting the plan taken recently by the Penn-

sylvania Company in the case of the Van-

President Ingalls, of the Chesapeake &

Ohio, while East will meet the higher officials of the Pennsylvania and Southern Railways to consult regarding the proposed improvement in terminal facilities at Wash-James R. Kendrick, late vice president of the New York, New Haven & Hartford, was buried on Thursday at Lebanon, N. H.

Twenty prominent railway officials accomranied the funeral party to the place of in-The Baltimore & Ohio earnings are improving so steadily, as compared with earlier estimates of the managers, that the committee expects soon to be able to perfect a plan of reorganization and get the property again on its feet. It is stated that enough of the proposed plans for the re- this season by keeping your blood rich and ers for the infant Immanuel. At length the star confidential man and promoter for Senator habilitation of the company has been de- pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

cided upon to make the scaling of the bonds unnecessary. There may be some assess-The Baltimore committee for the reorgan-

ization of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway

Company has determined to have another

expert examine the finances of the com-The Columbus, Sandusky & Hocking Railroad has leased the joint use of the Wheeling & Lake Erie terminais in Toledo and of tracks from Bellevue, thus giving it an ty years.

entrance into Toledo. The lease runs nine-The observation cars which have been run in the past summer over the Chesa-peake & Ohio on the F. F. V. trains have been taken off and put into the shops to be remodeled and finished up in a more elab-

crate manner. W. V. Hawley, who for some weeks past has been acting general passenger and freight agent of the Findlay, Ft. Wayne & Western, has been given the title of general freight and passenger agent, with headquarters at Ft. Wayne.

Edward L. Pettit, one of the veteran assenger conductors on the Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne & Chicago, died suddenly Wednesday night at Alliance, O., from a stroke of apoplexy. He was a prominent member of the Order of Railway Conductors. J. R. Cavanagh, car-service superintendent of the Big Four, returned from Chi-

cago yesterday. While in that city he succeeded in getting a few hundred box cars from the Chicago & Northwestern to help the Big Four out of its large orders for The Toledo division of the Central Association of Railway Officials have made some radical changes, taking the character of a society with an agreement virtually as

ciation. A line to withdraw must give thir-The damage suit of F. D. Harkings, of Andrews, against the Wabash Railroad for alleged blacklisting, came to trial on diseases of the Eye and Wednesday in the Wells County Circuit Ear. Court. Shortly after the trial began Harking's attorney dismissed the case. He sued

binding as that of the Joint Traffic Asso-

the company for \$1,000. The Russian minister of ways and com-munications, Prince Chilik, and the minister of finance, M. De Witte, with a view to promote exports to America, have resolved to introduce a direct, reduced the knife, through (railroad) tariff to Hamburg, LASS Bremen and Bremrhaaven.

The Panhandle on Thursday made a special test of the Cummings mail catcher | diseases of the Nervjust patented by a gentleman living in Co-lumbus, O. The claim is made for the and exchange freight and passengers with the Clover Leaf it will not be anxious to catcher that it not only picks pouches from press the hearing for a permanent injunctive the station, but also delivers them while he train is running at a high rate of speed.

The Chicago & Eastern Illinois road has all kinds of the train is running at a high rate of speed. announced that on Dec. 19 it will take pos- appara us and session of and operate under lease the Chi-cago, Paducah & Memphis Railroad. All our own shops 60 MONUMENT PLACE, employes of the latter road will, unless at Infirmary the courts from refusing to accept business otherwise informed, be retained as em-

Within the last few months the Big Four SUNDAY-SCHOOL LESSON has spent \$200,000 or more in improving its terminals at East St. Louis, and is now credited with having the most commodious and conveniently aranged in and out-bounc freight depots, bulk tracks and other conveniences of any road terminating at St.

Thursday morning E. S. Lamkin, a conductor on the Chicago & Erie, was found dead in his caboose, which was standing on a sidetrack at Huntington, Ind. The company's surgeon was called and gave heart failure as the probable cause of death. He was discovered by the caboose inspector early in the morning..

Perry Miller, who has been in the train service on the St. Louis division of the Big Four, is dead, and his funeral will be held at the family residence, No. 117 West Maryland street, Sunday, at 2 p. m. The deceased was a prominent member of the Order of Railwway Trainmen, who will attend the funeral services in a body.

cinnati, Hamilton & Dayton, the Monon, the Vandalia and the Lake Erie & Western have formed a club, leased rooms on South New Jersey street, which they will fit up appropriately for spending their evenings n a social way pleasantly. One room will be provided with billiard tables, etc. The train crews which are now on through runs between Louisville and Logansport are not much pleased with the change, although they are making the schedule time. One of the features they do

not like is running over fifty-five miles of the Lake Erie & Western road, where the movement of trains is governed differently than on the Pennsylvania lines. C. S. Crane, general passenger agent advertising. His latest is a postal card with a gimlet inscribed diagonally across its face, with wording as follows: want to bore you, but want you to bear in mind that our new California flyer, with through sleepers, for Los Angeles and San-

Francisco, leaves St. Louis every Wednesday and Saturday. The Central Passenger Committee refuses to give concessions in fare for the holidays to students of telegraph colleges. Commissioner Donald says these institutions are conducted solely for the pecuniary profit of their promoters. Persons attending these schools in many instances take night courses, being engaged in other vocations (Luke ii, 1.) While there other visitors came during the day, and such institutions do from the East, probably from the ancient home not seem to come within the scope of the spirit of the resolution authorizing these special fares.

Four prominent Japanese engineers con-Iwaski, who have been sent out as a commission to study American and European systems of railways, elevated street railroads, etc. Mr. Mayaguchi said it is intended to build two thousand miles of rafiway in the Japanese empire and an elevated street-railway system in Tokio. The and will visit New York, France and Ger-

Another important step looking to the adjustment of the details of the plan for the reorganization of the Philadelphia Reading Company was taken yesterday at of the year will be made assistant general a special meeting of the Reading Company, passenger agent of the Georgia & Ala-The Chicago & Rock Island Railroad Com- this meeting the capital stock of the Readpany directors have declared the regular | ing Company was increased from \$40,000,-000 to \$140,000,000, of which a total issue of \$28,000,000 will be first preferred stock: \$42,000,000 second preferred, and the remainder in common stock. This action was generally expected and is simply in conformity with the agreement outlined in the reorganization plan.

to secure some of the transcontinental line | STATE BOARD OF COMMERCE Programme for Third Annual Meeting This Month.

The programme for the third annual of the Commercial Club Dec. 29 and 30, has been issued. On Tuesday afternoon the following topics on fire insurance will be dis-

"Are There Abuses in the Methods of the Companies?" T. R. McFerson, Evansville, "Old Line Insurance," Young E. Allison, Louisville

'Nonboard Insurance," Charles D. Cox. "What Can We Do to Better the Situation?" John A. Finch, Indianapolis, Tuesday evening there will be a banquet. tendered by the Board of Trade and the Commercial Club, in the latter's rooms, Wednesday morning "Reform in Local Government" will be considered as follows: the need of it in the school township, Dr. James H. Smart, Lafayette; the need of it in the city, C. J. Murphy, Evansville; the need of it in the town, H. G. Thayer, Plymouth: the way to secure it, A. L. Maon, Indianapolis.

afternoon includes these topics on State "Is State Sanitation a groper Function of the State?" Dr. James F. Hibberd, Rich-"The Value of Sanitation in Money and in Life," Dr. John N. Hurty, Indianapolis, "Live Stock Sanitation," Professor A. W. Bitting, Lafayette. "A Proposal for Reform," Charles A. Korbaly, Indianapolis,

The following programme for Wednesday

Decrease in State Library Expenses. Mrs. Emma L. Davidson, State librarian, vesterday submitted her blennial report to the Governor. In two years the library has acquired 1,533 new books and 520 pamphlets. The report shows that during the two years 6.954 persons have availed themselves of the books in the library and 7,352 of the newspapers. The new shelving provided for by the last Legislature has een put in place and has added greatly to the convenience of the library. Mrs. Davidson recommends a State system of circulating libraries. For 1895 the cost of 1896 it was \$5,391.99.

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apolis Infirmary.

The Birth of Christ, as Related in Matthew II. 1-12-A Time for Adjusting Spiritual Relations.

By Rev. JAMES E. GILBERT. Secretary of American Society of Religious Edu-

INTRODUCTION.-In the month of December the rural population of ancient Italy celebrated a festival called the Saturnalia, whose origin was The clerks in the local offices of the Cinascribed to the gods. At first it was a kind of harvest-home occasion, not unlike our Thanksgiving. Under the Emperors games was introduced. The festivities began about the 19th and continued about a week, during which all business was suspended, social distinctions were forgotten, crowds of people pressed along the thoroughfares, presents were exchanged, feasting and reveling were in the houses, and all classes made merry. In the second Christmas century the bishop of Rome instituted a movable feast in commemoration of the birth of Christ. The Eastern churches observed it in April and May. In the Wabash, is original in his methods of festival of the nativity was fixed on the 25th of December. It has been thought by some that this was done to displace the heathen observances above mentioned. Whether designed or not, it had that effect. For many centuries the rejoicing | have opposed Him, sometimes with relentless at this time of the year has been tempered by thoughts of the advent. The lerson of the day covers incidents donnected with that event.

VISITORS .- Luke records the visit of the shepherds on the morning after the birth, and the presentation in the temple at Jerusalem. Joseph and Mary must have returned to Bethlehem, perhaps to complete the listing ordered by Caesar. of Abraham. (Gen. x. 25.) They were called wise men, a class of whom, like the friends of Job, devoted themselves to the study of philosophy with the imperial railway bureau and religion. By many it is believed that they are in Tacoma. Wash., investigating rail- had access to the prophetic writings of Israel, way matters. They are Messrs, Rinkaro which, by the captivity, had been extensively distributed among the learned. There was a general expectation throughout the world that an important personage was about to appear. These wise men had seen a star (Numb. xxiv, 17), which they had interpreted as an omen of the birth of the king. They came, therefore, to Jerusalem, commission is en route to San Francisco | the capital of the nation, supposing that the infant prince would be known among those in authority. Their purpose was praiseworthy. It was no idle curiosity, neither spirit of enmity that brought them-they desired simply to pay their homage. (Isa. lx, 3.) In this they may have

been moved by the good spirit of God. ANXIETY.-The appearance of these men in Jerusalem, their statement of what they had seen before leaving home, their question and their dewas great troubled. An Edomite by descent, a proselyte to the Jewish religion, he had come to the throne by war and bloodshed. Ambitious and cruel, he feared a rival, but probably knew something of the old-time predictions of a Messiah The royal family, especially the sons who suceceded this monster, would share his anxiety. They would naturally communicate their thoughts to subcramates in the public service, and the teching of insecurity would gradually pervade ail otherar circles. It is possible that the church party and the people would be divided. Plous souls there were waiting prayerfully for the coming of the promised one (John i, 6), and many were weary of Roman rule. (Acts i, 6.) But, on the other hand, partly because of honor and emolument, many desired to retain the existing order, quite content to be under the rule of Caesar. (John xix, 12.) The discussions resulting from this diversity of opinion and interest would

and to the general excitement until the theme would be on every lip. COUNSEL - Wicked thoughts and purposes entered into the heart of Herod, for the execution of which he needed fuller information. Where is this child, the prospective king? He is not in the palace, neither in Jerusalem. The chief priests and scribes, the nigh omciais of the church, were Broadway, \$1,800. called together and consulted. They were not as a rule men of piety (II Chr. xxxvi. 14), but they | \$975. were acquainted with the Scriptures. Seated in the great counsel chamber they represented the best learning of the nation. (Mal. il, 7.) Herod required them to tell him "where Christ should be born." For their reply they searched the sacred writings, nor needed they to search long. The custodians of the parchments, with more care and precision than we exercise now, had a The need of it in the county, George B. system of indexing by which any subject might Cardwill, New Albany; the need of it in the be quickly examined. (John v. 39.) And every decivil township, James H. Crozier, Madison; tail concerning the great king might be easily traced. The proof text was found (Micah v. 2), and the answer given, in the very language of the old prophet who had written seven centuries before. Here is the first Jewish testimony to Jesus, delivered in his infancy, the beginning of that overwheiming evidence which was afterward employed in convincing the people that God's anointed had come. ORDERS.-Having obtained the desired information Herod called the wise men and inquired concerning the time when the star appeared. This was the second step in working out his fiendish design. Because afterward he ordered the slaughter of all the innocents two years old and under (Ch. ii. 16). it is thought by some that that indicated the time in which they gave him. They were then sent to Bethlehem, with instructions to search for the child, and to return and bring Herod. He would make these good and wise men the advanced agents of his crime. What consummate hypocrisy is this! What hellish hate! The Lord of glory began His career with a murderous king in search (Psalm ii, 2.) It was a right thing which Herod proposed-to worship Jesus, emblematic of that honor which all kings must ultimately pay to Him (Rev. xxi. 24), but his concealed purpose was the earliest expression of that enmity of the unregenerate heart which pursued Him through-His career and caused His ignominious death on the cross. (Mark xv. 32.) JOURNEY.-The wise men departed from the presence of Herod, having learned, what they sought, the city of the Redeemer's birth. Beth-lehem, a little quiet community, perched like a bird's nest among the rocky hills of Judah, lay five miles south of Jerusalem. The home Jesse and his great con David (I Sam. xvi. 4). maintaining the library was \$6,720 and for | was famed, not in Israel only, but in other lands as well. As the travelers moved forward that same star which they had seen in their own country, whose guidance they had followed, went before them. By it they directed their footsteps, as the children of Israel found their way through the wilderness to Canaan by the cloud of divine presence. (Numb. ix. 20, 21.) This supernatural

phenomenon, whatever it may have been, shows

that God has not limited His gracious manifes-

n olden time to the posterity of Abraham. He

has ever had a race-wide purpose, indicated in

stood over the Bethlehem home, and when it

tations to a chosen portion of mankind, not even

search was successful, were filled with great joy. WORSHIP.-Jesus was born in a stable, and laid in a manger. (Luke ii, 16.) Our lesson says He was in a house when the wise men came. (Verse 11.) It has been supposed that Joseph was able to secure for mother and child more comfortable quarters than those at first obtained. and tradition represents that the women of the town, on learning of the advent, offered their houses to the little stranger. It must have been an exciting occasion when these visitors from a far country gained admission to the dwelling-honorable men seking a child! The intelligence must have been rapidly carried into all parts of the village, drawing the people together, doubtless, in great numbers. Falling down pros-trate, their faces to the floor, in Oriental fashion, the wise men worship the boy, the future king. Then, opening their treasures, brought probably on the backs of camels, they presented their gifts, a custom in Eastern countries from time immemorial (Gen. xxxiii, 8), when inferiors would humble themselves in the presence of the great. Gold, frankincense, and myrrh were offered, the things usually bestowed upon kings. (I Kings

WARNING .- Wicked men are not always suffered to act their peasure. Sometimes the spirit of God restrains them by moving directly upon their minds and hearts. (Ex. xviii, 1L) At other times that spirit prompts other men so to act as to thwart their designs. (Psalm lxxvi, 10.) Herod will not be permitted to destroy this boy Jesus, whose time for sacrificial death is subsequent to a long and noble service for truth. (Matt. xvi, 21.) The wise men whom he would employ God will employ against him. By a dream or vision a method long established (Numb. xii, 6), and frequently used during the evangelical history (Matt. xxvii, 19), they were made aware of the king's purpose. The communication of this intelligence to their minds caused their return to their own country without visiting Jerusalem again, leaving Herod to devise other schemes of more extensive slaughter by which he went into history as the most cruel and heartless of men. (Verses 16 to 18.) This act of the magi under divine instruction is a further mark of their REFLECTIONS .- The events of the lesson foreshadowed the entire life of Christ and the history

of the centuries that have followed His birth. their attitude toward Him men have classified themselves as enemies or friends. The wicked fury, resorting to the basest measures for pre-venting the spread of His kingdom. There can be nothing but an irrepressible conflict between Jesus, and all the powers of darkness (I John iii. S), and in that conflict there can be no result other than the confusion of the latter. But the good and wise of all ages and lands have ho and sought Jesus. They have come from near and from far. They have brought their treasures and laid them at His feet. They have bowed down with reverence before Him and owned Him as Lord. They have gone out from Him into disthe midst of the rejoicing in this festive week it is important for every student of these lessons to adjust his relations to Christ. To all who will come to Him. led by the spreading glory ex-

we are able to promise a Merry Christmas. Day by Day. Charge not thyself with the weight of a year,

Child of the Master faithful and dear. Choose not the cross for the coming week. For that is more than He bids thee seek Bend not thine arms for to-morrow's load-Thou may'st leave that to thy gracious God.

Daily only He saith to thee

Take up thy cross, and follow me." VITAL STATISTICS—DEC. 18

Evaline Frances Trout, thirty-four years, 218 North New Jersey street, rheumatiss John M. Manning, forty-nine years, 57 High street, la grippe.

Births. Mrs. and Alfred Allison, 19 Springfield street, Della and Edward Patterson, 156 Madison ave Fredrika and Alfred L. Hawkins, 272 English Lydia and Joseph M. Patterson, 500 East Marke Lilly M. and Frank Nessler, 125 Fletcher ave nue, girl.

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